IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re:

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the shortened statutory period for responding to the Notice of Appeal filed December 12, 2005, be extended one month from February 12, 2006 to March 12, 2006. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1177 in the amount of \$120,00 for the onemonth extension fee. Order No. 06-0063. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the required fee or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-1177.

Responsive action has been taken by filing a Request for Continued Examination simultaneously herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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